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REPLY TO ADVISORY ACTION DATED JULY 19, 2004

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the comments below.

Authorization is hereby granted to charge \$330.00 for the concurrently filed Notice of Appeal, and \$420.00 for a two-month extension, totaling \$750.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-1063[MSFTP105USA].